

Den 23sten January 1824.
NAAR AMSTERDAM,
Zal jegens den 7den February vertrekken de
snel zeilende Brik



MARIA & JACOBA,
Kapitein J. J. BART.

Voor Vracht en Passagie, vervoegte men zich
ten Kantore van J. W. G. JUTTING.

DE Schoutbÿnacht Gouverneur en Ra-
den van Politie van Curaçao en on-
derhoorige Eilanden.

Allen den genen die deze zullen zien ofte
hooren lezen, salut! doen te weten:

Dat goedgevonden en besloten is by ex-
plicitatie van het zevende lid van dezes
Raads besluit dd. 18den Maart 1823 op
den 20sten daaraanvolgende gepubliceerd,
hierby vast te stellen, dat de daarin bedoel-
de werkbare slaven welke door den Raad
Fiscaal mogen gerekwireerd en door de
meesters moeten geleverd worden tot het
wegruimen van vuilnis of onreinigheden,
de zoodanigen zÿn waarvan de belasting
van het hoofdgeld wordt betaald en dat
daarom by het rekwireren van slaven tot
den voormelden arbeid eeniglyk in aan-
merking komt het getal slaven waarvoor ie-
mand in de gemelde belasting is aangesla-
gen, volgens het register daarvan dat jaar-
lyks ten kantore van den Raad Contrarol-
leur der Financien wordt opgemaakt en
naar hetwelk de Raad Fiscaal zich zal heb-
ben te gedragen.

Aldus gearresteerd in des Raads verga-
dering gehouden op het Gouvernements
Huis, binnen het Fort Amsterdam op Cu-
raçao den 20sten January 1824, het elf-
de jaar van Zÿner Majesteits regering.

De Gouverneur en Raden voornoemd,
(w. g.) CANTZ'LAAR.

Ter orlonnantie van dezelve,
(w. g.) W. PRINCE, Sec.

Gepubliceerd binnen het Fort Amster-
dam en in de Willemsstad den 22sten der
gemelde maand.

(w. g.) W. PRINCE, Sec.

CURACAO.

Vaartuigen in en uit geklaard sedert onzelaatste

INGEKLAARD—JANUARY.		
17. bark	Emma, Martins,	St Eustatius
—	Mary, Maria,	Porto Rico
19. golet	Gysberta, Debrot,	Bonaire
—	Dorothea, Nicolaas,	dito
—	Jong Jufv. Carolina, De Hachet, dito	dito
—	Amalie Lucia, Diederhoven,	La Guayra
22. —	Anno, Dominguez,	Porto Rico
—	Emelia, Marc Antony,	Maracsybo
—	Maria, Bartelote,	Porto Rico
23. —	Las Hermanas, Evertsz,	Aruba
—	Ann, Dunn,	Baltimore
—	Dorothea, A'É,	Bonaire
UITGEKLAARD—JANUARY.		
17. golet	Minerva, Brito,	Puerto Cabello
19. —	Argus, Griffith,	Jamaika
bark	Helena, Dovale,	Porto Rico
21. golet	Virtus Cresens, Lopez,	Coro
22. —	Maria, Rekweste,	La Guayra
—	Maria Louisa, Morales, Rio la Hacha	

Maandag den 19den dezer zynde de Verja-
ring des Geboorten dags van Hare Koniglyke
Hoogheid, Anna Pawlona, Princes van Oranje,
werden er des middags koniglyke saluten ge-
vuurd van het Fort Amsterdam en Z. M. kor-
vet de Eendragt; en het garnison kwam in pa-
rade. De plegtigheden van den dag werden ge-
eindigd met een prachtig middagmaal, gegeven
door de Officiëren der Schuttery en van den
Land-torm, in het Lokaal der Loge de Verge-
noeging, aan Zyne Excellentie den Gouverneur,
waarby de Officiëren der Zee en Landmagt te-
genwoordig waren. De tafels waren overdekt
met allerley lekkernyën, welke het eiland kon
verschaffen. Vele trouwhartige en toepassely-
ke toosten werden er gedronken, de grootste
vreugde en blymoedigheid heerſchten er, en het
gezelschap ſcheidde van elkander tot eerst laat
in den nacht.

Wy hebben kouranten van Porto Rico ont-
vangen, loopende tot den 18den December II.
Behalven het zingen van Tedeums en het lezen
van hooge missen in de verschillende plaatsen
van dat eiland, wegens het herstel des konings
tot zyne vorige magt, vinden wy in dezelve,
niets belangryk welke de aandacht van onze le-
zers waardig kan geacht worden.

Uit de Colombiaansche nieuwspapieren in den
loop dezer week alhier ontvangen, hebben wy
de meest gewigtige stukken getrokken, welke
in onze volgende kolonnen zullen gevonden wor-
den.

Wy zÿn beleefdelyk begunstigd geworden
met het volgende uittrekeel van eenen brief, ge-
dagteekend Cadix, den 1sten December 1823:
"Don Domingo Monteverde, die benoemd is
tot kapitein generaal van Porto Rico, zal op den
5den of den 6den dezer in een Fransch fregat
naar zyne bestemming vertrekken.

"Tusschen den 15den en 16den dezer zullen
het Italia schip de Azia, een fregat, twee korvet-

ten en eene brik naar de Stille Zuid Zee ver-
trekken, ter versterking der krygsmagt onder
Laserna.

"Generaal Morillo, heeft verlof bekomen om
zich van zynen dienst te onttrekken, en vertrekt
om de baden in Frankryk te gaan nemen.

"Sanjuan is benoemd geworden tot minister
van het departement van oorlog, Erro, minister
van den staat en Zaeus, minister van gratie en
justitie.

"Er worden 2000 man ingescheept voor Por-
to Rico; er zÿn van al de groote mogenheden
plenipotentarissen te Madrid aangekomen; een
kongres der ministers zal gehouden worden in
het Eskuriaal, welker doel nog niet bekend is;
het konstitutionele leger wordt ontbonden, en
een ander op eenen anderen voet gevormd.

"Op den 7den Nov. is Riego opgehangen ge-
worden; op den 14den is de koning te Madrid
aangekomen; het volk geniet de grootste
rust; geen mensch, welke niet verkiest in het
ryk te blyven, wordt verbinderd zich naar elders
te begeven."

Londen, 30sten Oct.—Behalven die oorlog-
schepen welke volgens onze Kourant van den
3den dezer van Plymouth naar de West Indien
zouden vertrekken, worden anderen uitgerust.
Van Portsmouth admiraal Halsted in de Isis
voor de Jamaika station. De Ganges van 84
stukken, met 700 man, de Genoa 74, Sir Tho-
mas Livingstone, met het 7de regiment aan
boord, waren bestemd voor de West Indien; be-
nevens het 77ste en het 42ste regiment. Ver-
scheide andere linte schepen worden voor
vreemden dienst uitgerust.

De berigten uit Constantinopolen zÿn tot den
10den Oct. De vredelievende geneigdheden
van de Ottomansche Porte, hebben in deze stad
de bezigheden aangewakkerd. Vryheid aan den
handel en privilegien aan de Europeanen zÿn
weder toegestaan geworden.

De laatste brieven uit Griekenland melden,
dat de vloot van kapitein Pacha de Dardanellen
binnen gekomen en van daar naar Constanti-
nopolen vertrokken is. Deze brieven maken te-
vens melding, dat de krygsbewegingen der Ja-
nissarissen eene groote ongerustheid aan het
gouvernement veroorzaakt hebben.

Peru.—Berigten van Lima, te Norfolk over
Jamaika ontvangen, bekeizen dat het leger der
koningsgezinden, op 14,000 man beloopt; dat
Bolivar te Lima is aangekomen en zich bezig
hield met troepen af te zenden ter versterking
der gecombineerde armee, welke uit byna 14-
000 man bestaat. Deze troepen waren in op-
tocht tegen de Spanjaarden, die, zoo men ge-
looft in netelige omstandigheden zÿn. De Bri-
sche kooplieden hebben een snelzeilend vaar-
tuig van Lima naar Engeland afgezonden, met
een bericht van den staat der zaken in de Stille
Zuid Zee.

UIT EL COLOMBIANO.

Caracas, 24sten Dec. 1823.

Peru.—Uit officiële kommunikation van Peru
verneemt men, dat de bevryder president van
Guayaquil, na eene korte reis van 25 dagen te
Lima is aangekomen. Generaal Santa Cruz
met zyne troepen heeft Desaguadera en La Paz
in bezit genomen; deze laatste plaats was de
eerste, om zich onafhankelyk te verklaren.—
De vyand heeft eenige gedeeltelyke neerla-
gen gehad; en de afdeeling van den Spaanschen
generaal Olañeta, werd tevens gedreigd door
de afdeeling der patriotten van Salta, onder het
bevel van generaal Orenales, bestaande uit 2000
man. Generaal Sucre met een gedeelte van
zyne troepen is te Quilco geland, en zyne brie-
ven van den 24sten Augustus, kondigen de
hoop aan, dat hy in den loop der maand in het
bezit van Arequipa zal gesteld worden. De
Spaansche generaals Laserna, Canterac, Val-
dez, Carratala en Olañeta, waren dus in eenen
kritieken toestand gebracht aangezien zy niet in
staat waren zich met elkander te verenigen,
voór dat de independente troepen het plan hun-
ner krygsverrigtingen gevormd en zich meester
van die plaatsen gemaakt hadden, waarin de vy-
and tot nu toe zyne hulpbronnen gelegen had.

Ingevolge den staatkundigen toestand van
het land, leed de republiek van Peru het grie-
vende onheil van huishoudelyke tweedragt.—
President Riva Agüero heeft het kongres van
Trozillo ontbonden, en eenige der leden mis-
handeld, om dat hy afgezet is geworden van zÿn
presidentschap, volgens eene akte van dat
lichaam, voór dat hy Callao verliet had. Na
dat generaal Canterac, Lima ontruimd had,
werd generaal Tagle tot opperhoofd benoemd
door een besluit van generaal Sucre, volgens
eene door het kongres verleende magt aan deze;
Tagle, vergaderde de ontbondene kamer weder
en herstelde het vertegenwoordigende gouverne-
ment van Peru, in de uitoefening van derzelve
wetgevende functien. Het kongres verklaarde
dadelyk, Riva Agüero (toen in Truxillo) als een
gevangen, op klagte van hoog verraad, en be-
reemde Tagle tot president der Republiek.—
Terwyl dit alles voorviel arriveerde de bevry-
der van Colombia; deze zocht door zachte mid-
delen, de oorzaak der tweedragt uit den weg
te ruimen.

January 7, 1824.

Men heeft berigten van den bevryder en pre-
sident van Colombia, uit Lima van den 25sten
September ontvangen.

Het Peruaansche kongres heeft de behoude-
nis zÿner Republiek aan den bevryder toever-
trouwd, met alle onbepaalde magt die noodza-
kelyk in werking moet gebragt worden, om
deze belangryke en glansryke taak te volbren-
gen.

By de verschyning van den bevryder in de

kongres zaal, in het midden van duizend toe-
juichingen van vreugde, door het vertrouwen en
de dankbaarheid, verbond hy zich om de groot-
ste pogingen in het werk te stellen tot het ver-
wezenlyken van de wenschen zÿns harte en die
van het kongres. Dit ligchaam bestemde voor
hem een jaargeld van 50,000 dollars, gedurende
zyn oponthoud in Peru; ten zelfden tyd besluitende,
dat de betaling daarvan voór alle andere
vorderingen zoude gaan. De grootmoedige Bo-
livar wees op eene zedige wyze, deze voorzorg
van de hand af, er byvoegende dat hy genoeg-
zaam verzorgd was, door het jaargeld hem,
door de wetten van Colombia toegelegd.

Een prachtig gestmaal werd op dien zelfden
dag, ter zÿner eere door het gouvernement ge-
geven.

MILITAIRE VERRIGTINGEN.

Eene kolonne van de expeditie van den gene-
raal Sucre, onder bevel van generaal Miller,
bezette de stad van Arequipa op den 30sten
Augustus. De vyand retireerde met 600 man
naar Cangallo, en verloor velen door vermoen-
denis eenige krygsgevangenen en weglouers.—
De vyand was voór dit geval op den 14den Aug.
door eene kolonne onder kolonel Ramirez ver-
slagen geworden. Arequipa, eene der voor-
naemste steden in Peru, heeft den bevryder met
vreugde en genoegeen ontvangen. Generaal
Santa Cruz heeft op den 25sten Aug. in de "La
Pampa del Tambillo" eene overwinning behaald
over de Spaansche troepen onder Don Geroni-
mo Valdez. De Spaansche generaal marſcheer-
de van Pomatá met twee bataljons, twee eskad-
rons dragonders en eenige eskadrons van de
wacht van den generaal Laserna, en vier veld-
stukken; met welke magt hy te drie ure in den
namiddag de Peruaansche armee ontmoettede.
Een algemeene slag had toen plaats, in dewel-
ke de Spanjaarden verstrooid werden, en van
een duizend tot twaalf honderd, in dooden, ge-
kwetsten en gevangenen op het veld letende.—
Laserna die Valdez volgde, met drie bataljons,
en drie eskadrons (zynde de troepen dewelke in
July de hoofdstad ontruimd hadden) van den
slechten uitslag des gevechts van den 25sten
Aug. vernemende sloeg den weg in van "La
Pampa de Mapamayo;" zonder in staat te zÿn
dezelve te verlaten door gebrek aan noodwendig-
heden.

De patriotsche divisie onder kolonel Lanza
vereenigde zich met die van den generaal Ga-
marra, en beide achtervolgden den Spaanschen
chef Olaneta, dewelke Calamarca met overhaas-
ting verliet had, na een gedeeltelyk gevecht.
De troepen van deze officier liepen in groot ge-
tal naar generaal Camarra over.

Toen de Kourier die deze tyding mede ge-
bragt had, Lima verliet werd een gerucht alomt
verspreid, volgens de berigten van de zyde, door
den vyand bezet, dat Laserna geheel en al ver-
sloegen was, ten gevolge van de overwinning van
den 25sten Aug. Indien deze tyding bewaar-
heid wordt, zal Canterac genoodzaakt zÿn, het
voorbereid van den generaal Morales te volgen.

January 14, 1824.

Wy vernemen dat er eene order van Bogota
is ontvangen geworden, waarin bevolen word,
dat alle betalingen der geregtigheden aan de tolhui-
zen op de volgende wyze zullen moeten geschie-
den, als, het drie vierde gedeelte in kontanten,
en het ander vierde gedeelte in gouvernements
securiteiten, tegenstrydig der voorwaarden waar-
op die securiteiten toegeestaan is; en tevens dat
alle gouvernements papieren, op welke kondities
ook afgegeven, het zy voor verſchotene penning-
gen aan het gouvernement, geleverde benoodig-
heden of andere oorzaken, zullen in waarde ge-
lyk gesteld en geene preferentie aan dezelve ge-
geven worden. Dit is alles zeer wel, in zoo ver-
re deze order slechts betrekkellyk gemaakt
wordt, voor de nog te makene schulden; maar
hoedanig zulk een besluit betrekkellyk kan zÿn
op de reeds gekontrakteerde schulden, kunnen
wy niet overeen brengen met het gezond ver-
stand en de billykheid. In zoodanig een ge-
val, moet er in de kontrakten aangegaan door
het gouvernement staan, dat dezelve zullen
vervuld worden zoo lang als het gouvernement
het goed vindt; en daar het gouvernement zich
het recht aanmatigt, om naar willekeur de ver-
vulling deszelfs kontrakten intrekken, aan de
individuen zouden ook veroorloofd zÿn van hun-
ne engagementen aftezien, welke aangegaan
zÿn op den grond van die kontrakten alleen.—
In alle geldzaken eischt de gezonde rede dat hy
die leent en niet die, aan wien men leent, de
voorwaarden van betalingen zal voorschryven;
en wanneer een gouvernement op het eene o-
genblik de voorwaarden bepaalt, en naderhand
dezelve by een besluit vernietigt, dan matigt
hy zich aan het recht des sterksten en niet dat
der geregtigheid.

Het zou averegts zÿn, zich te verbeelden dat
wy instaat zÿn, op zulke wankelende maat-
regelen eene lening van 30,000,000 daalders te doen.
Hy die instaat is, op zoodanige wyze te hande-
len, aan hem zou geen 30penningen toevertrouwd
worden; en hy is nog verantwoordelyk voór den
regter. Waarom bestaat er dan geene wet, om
het gouvernement in zulke gevallen paal te
zetten?

Het is zeer noodzakelyk, om bepaaldelyk op-
tegeven de dagteekeningen waarop zoodanige
dekreten aanvang zullen moeten nemen, en in
geen geval zal dezelve ingetrokken moeten wor-
den, op dat gelyk wy reeds aangemerkt hebben,
de individuen waarmede het gouvernement ge-
kontrakteerd heeft, ook van hunne engage-
menten niet afzien.

Madrid, 6den Nov.—Op den 23sten laatstle-
den vertrok de luitenant kolonel Lidre Bunsada,
met depechen van het gouvernement naar Ha-
vana en de kust; en op den 26sten de brigadier

Don Isidro Uriate, naar de Canarische eilanden, die benoemd is, tot provisionele opperbevelhebber van die eilanden; een officier van gelyken rang Don Josef Taberner, is reeds afgezonden geworden, met hetzelfde oogmerk naar Mallorca.

BEVALLEN—Op den 20sten dezer, van een zoontje, Eva Nicolina Rojer, Echtgenoot van J. A. F. Hellmund.

OVERLEDEN—Op laatstleden Zaterdag, de Heer Johannes van Brugh Duyckinck.

Monday the 19th instaut, being the anniversary of her Royal Highness, Anna Paulowna, Princess of Orange, at noon royal salutes were fired from Fort Amsterdam and His Majesty's corvette Eendragt; and the regular troops were drawn up in the square. The ceremonies of the day were concluded by an elegant dinner, given by the militia officers and the officers of the country militia (landstorm) of this island, to his Excellency the Governor. The tables were covered with every delicacy the island could afford, and were attended by the Naval and Military officers. Many loyal and appropriate toasts were drunk, the greatest hilarity and good humour prevailed and the company broke up highly delighted till late in the night.

It appears now nearly certain that the war in Spain is at present at an end, and that that unhappy country from what cause we leave to be determined, is obliged to sink under the tyrannical views of the Holy Alliance. We perceive by the last advices from Europe that King Ferdinand was summoned to attend a Congress which was to be held in Paris, and to which England was invited also, but refused to send a minister for the purpose it is said of consulting upon the means of restoring late Spanish America to the throne of Spain. If the French have got such hold of the views of Ferdinand and have even got possession of his person, what can they make of him? Can they make him good with prudence and moderation? If they can do none of these things, what is to prevent Spain from relapsing into its former state, with the addition of much resentment and irritation, whenever the invaders take their departure? Men have heretofore invaded foreign states from the love of conquest or the desire of vengeance, but this is probably the first time that an expedition was undertaken for the purpose of making one govern who knows not how.—What have they done to instil a love of Ferdinand into his subjects by this expedition? If nothing, how will his throne be more secure than heretofore? Let them rest assured they have not entirely extinguished the spark of liberty in Spain, nor have they mouldered down those who despise him and his government. They still we would fain hope retain that national character, which in former ages they were so renowned for. We trust that now that they find their pride is irritated, their anger provoked, their generosity stimulated, they may still awake from their apathy and perform most praise worthy and noble actions. It is true to the activity, knowledge and foresight of their invaders they have nothing to oppose, but they possessed an invincible constancy and firmness which we hope they still possess, and which in former times no reverses could ever shake. It behoves then the friends of freedom to assist so many fellow creatures who are groaning beneath the yoke of oppression and scourged by the iron rod of despotism, for still we must cry with stern, "disguise thyself as thou wilt, still slavery is a bitter draught" arise ye generous Spaniards, gird on your swords in defence of liberty, try to humble the proud tyrants of the earth, and set your nation free.

FROM EL COLOMBIANO.

Curaçao, Dec. 24, 1823

Peru.—By official communication from Peru we learn, that the liberator and president arrived at Lima from Guayaquil, after a passage of twenty five days. General Santa Cruz with his troops had occupied De aguadana and La Paz; the latter of which towns was the first to declare for South American liberty. The enemy had suffered some partial reverses; and the division of the Spanish general Olaneta was also threatened by a division of patriots from Salta, under the command of general Orenates, consisting of two thousand men. General Sucre with part of his division had disembarked in Quilca, and his letters of the 24th of August announce a hope of being master of Arequipa in the course of the month. The Spanish generals La Serna, Canterac, Valdez, Carratala, and Olaneta, were thus placed in a critical situation, not having been able to unite with each other, before the independent troops had laid the plan of their operations, and possessed themselves of the territories from which the enemy had hitherto drawn its resources.

In reference to the political state of the country, the republic of Peru was suffering under the grievous evil of domestic discord. President Riva-Aguero had dissolved the congress in Truxillo, and ill used some of the members, in consequence of having been deprived of the presidency, by an act of this body, prior to leaving Callao. After the evacuation of Lima by Canterac, general Tagle was named principal chief by a decree of general Sucre's, in virtue of a discretionary power vested in the latter by the congress. Tagle, either from the impulse of his own feelings, or the representation of the people, convoked the dispersed deputies, and re-established the representative government of Peru, in the exercise of their legislative func-

tions. The congress forthwith declared Riva-Aguero (then in Truxillo) a prisoner on a charge of high treason, and named Tagle president of the republic. Under these critical circumstances did the liberator of Colombia arrive, and sought most anxiously to dissipate by mild and gentle means this germ of discord. It is therefore probable that neither the voice of the liberator will be disregarded, nor the united efforts to obtain peace and harmony, under the auspices of the representative government. From such services on the part of general Bolivar, Peru will gain perhaps more benefit, than even from the destruction of the common enemy.

January 7, 1824

Communications have been received from the liberator and president of Colombia from Lima, dated the 25th of September.

The Peruvian congress has confided the salvation of its Republic to the liberator, with all the unlimited faculties which must necessarily be exercised in order to fulfill this important and glorious trust.

The liberator on presenting himself in the hall of congress amidst millions of acclamations of joy, confidence and gratitude, pledged himself to make the greatest efforts to realize the wishes of his heart and of congress. This body bestowed him 50 000 dollars salary during his continuance in Peru; decreeing at the same time the payment thereof in preference to every other claim but the magnanimous Bolivar modestly refused this provision, stating that he was sufficiently provided for by the salary granted him by the laws of Colombia.

A splendid banquet was given in honor of him on the same day by the government.

MILITARY OPERATIONS.

A column of the expedition of general Sucre, commanded by general Miller, occupied the city of Arequipa on the 30th of August. The enemy retired with six hundred men to Canchallo, and through fatigue suffered some loss in prisoners and deserters. The enemy had previously met with a reverse at Quilca on the 14th of August from a column commanded by colonel Ramirez. Arequipa one of the principal cities in Peru, had admitted its liberators with joy and pleasure. General Santa Cruz had obtained a triumph over the Spanish troops commanded by Don Geronimo Valdes, in the "La Pampa del Tambillo" on the 25th of August.—The Spanish general marched from Pomata with two battalions, two squadrons of dragoons, and a squadron of the guard of general Lacerda, and four pieces of artillery; with which force he encountered the Peruvian army at three o'clock in the afternoon. A general action took place, in which the Spaniards were routed, leaving on the field from a thousand to twelve hundred in killed, wounded, and prisoners. Lacerda who was following Valdes with three battalions, and three squadrons, (being the troop which evacuated Lima in July) having learnt the ill-success of the action of the 25th of August, took the rout of "Las Pampas de Mapamayo;" where he continued on the 31st of August, without being able to leave it through want of resources and beasts.

The patriot division under colonel Lanza had joined that of general Gamarra, and both were in pursuit of the Spanish chief Olaneta, who had fled precipitately from Cañamarea after a partial engagement. The troops of this officer were passing over in great numbers to general Cañamara.

When the Courier who brought this news left Lima, it was rumoured there, on the faith of reports brought from the part of the country occupied by the enemy, that Lacerda had been completely routed by general Santa Cruz in consequence of the success of 25th of August.—If this news should prove true, Canterac will have to follow the example of general Morales.

The decree of the king of Spain which we publish this day, is important, in as much as it manifests the policy of his government towards his country, and how little experience and affection have improved the royal hypocrite.

He fairly warns us that "he is adopting such energetic measures as may tend to restore, these his vast and rich possessions to the bosom of his just and paternal government, tenderly attentive to their interests."

One would imagine, that after twelve years of horrors and bloodshed inherited by this paternal and tender king in the same genetic strain, such language would be as tedious to himself, as it is disgusting to us, and outraging to humanity. But thus it is ever with Spanish diplomacy—the reverse of Hamlet, "it uses daggers, but it speaks none."

That Ferdinand is sincere however where his object is to do evil, we can not doubt; and therefore we do believe that he will adopt such energetic measures, as poor exhausted Spain can afford him. But to what can his utmost malice amount? Can he find troops who will consent to come here?—or consenting, as perhaps they may under the dread of French bayonets, can he clothe and feed them?—pay them? or find vessels to transport them? Without French succour he cannot transport a soldier across the Atlantic; and with it, he may kindle a flame around him, that may yet consume him. Should France by such a policy become involved with England, she will need all her resources to meet the exigency, and will have neither soldiers nor money, to throw away, in bolstering up the rickety throne of Ferdinand. But under any circumstances, she cannot afford to continue for any considerable time, the enormous expense of maintaining her army and that of her ally, in an exhausted country; and from whatever cause it may be withdrawn, the effect will be to open

the floodgates of revolution once more on Spain. For we see nothing in the spirit of her people, the nature of her institutions, or the character of her nobles, to induce us to imagine, that the past is repented of on the one side, or forgiven on the other.

Whilst such is the fate of our enemy, exhausted by internal convulsions and bad government, we have become strong, by conquest and union. Spain will not now find us what Morillo did, when he brought an army to perish on our soil in 1815—even could she now try the experiment. That France will interfere singly in her quarrel, we do not believe; and still less do we believe, that England would be an indifferent spectator of such an aggression.

It seems to us however, that Peru, as the only point where the royal cause still partially prevails, may be assisted with some vessels of war from Spain, and perhaps a few troops. Whatever can be done in the way of oppression, and in conformance with the paternal designs of Ferdinand, will probably be directed against that country, as being valuable in itself, and in order that by keeping alive the royal cause in a part of the continent, where it is not yet quite extinguished, a central position may be retained for the subjugation of the surrounding sections at a more convenient period. The policy therefore which has anticipated, and already in a measure defeated this object, becomes interesting, and entitled to our highest commendation.

We confess that we have hitherto been among those who gave to Peru, the personal services of our liberator and president grudgingly; and that, (contrary to his own opinion,) we have ever deemed him peculiarly called on, by the liberal spirit of his politics,—his extensive conceptions,—and diplomatic skill, to assume the exercise of the civil attributes with which he is invested, and at the head of the government of his country, consolidate the triumphs of its arms. But it must be admitted, that had the royal interest in Peru been strengthened, before harmony had been restored in the independent government, and confidence acquired by the presence of general Bolivar and the Colombian troops; the consequences might have been as fatal to our southern frontier, as to Peru itself. Should Spain therefore be able to succour that country, it is probable that this blow has been averted by the foresight and penetration of the liberator.

For ourselves, we think that we have little to fear from Spain. The fortresses of the whole line of coast are in our possession, and whilst we retain a maritime ascendancy must continue so. But, a slight effort on the part of the enemy will deprive us of this; and therefore the augmentation of our navy should be our leading policy. With this defence, we are in a measure invulnerable. The weak points of our coast are rendered strong by the barrenness of their interior, and an army recently from Europe, would perish in traversing them.

With all due contempt however for the king of Spain and his resources, prudence requires that we should set limits thereto; nor reject as impracticable, that which is merely improbable. Our security should consist of something better than this—not in obstinate incredulity, and the weakness of our enemy—but in our own courage and strength. This is a resource that can never fail us. It behoves us therefore to be prepared for any crisis; nor await the moment of its arrival, to exert ourselves. The strong holds on our coast should be put in order—the weak ones strengthened. Our cruisers should be on the alert, and our militia increased and organized. In short, though there is not enough in the decree of the king of Spain to alarm us, there is sufficient to rouse our attention, and call for vigilance.

January 14, 1824.

We understand that an order has arrived from Buenos, enjoining the payment of all custom house duties in three fourths cash, and the remainder in government securities, in violation of the terms on which these securities were granted: and also that all government paper on whatever conditions issued, whether for monies advanced to government, supplies furnished, or other causes, shall be equalized in value, and no preference shown in the payment of it. This is all very well, as far as it applies to the future; but how such a decree can in common reason or justice, have a retrospective effect, we cannot comprehend. In this case, the contracts of government should provide on the face of them, for their due fulfilment, so long as it may be expedient; and as government assumes the right of withdrawing at pleasure from the fulfilment of its contracts, individuals should also be allowed to withdraw from their engagements, formed on the strength of these contracts alone. In all money transactions common sense demands, that the lender, and not the borrower, should prescribe the terms of repayment; and when a government subscribes at one moment, to stipulations which it sets aside by a decree the following one—it assumes the right of the strongest, and not of justice.

To imagine that we can raise a loan of thirty millions of dollars, in the face of such vacillating measures, is preposterous. The individual who could act thus, would not be trusted with thirty pence, and would be further amenable to the laws. Why then should there be no law to restrain a government in like cases?

It is absolutely necessary that decrees of this nature, do contain a specification of the date from which they are to operate,—and this not a retrospective one, unless as we have already observed, the parties with whom the government be compromised, are also allowed to rescind their engagement.

FROM AMERICAN PAPERS.

New York, December 10.

Private advices had reached Paris on the 4th Nov from Badalona, near Barcelona, which state that Mina had signed an armistice on the 24th Oct. and on the 25th, the articles of capitulation were accepted. The garrison and fortresses of Hostalrich and Terragona were included. Mina, it is said, declared that the king of Spain might depend on his fidelity. Other accounts say the report was premature—but subsequent ones from the naval force before Barcelona, dated the 26th, say hostilities had actually ceased, and that a salute had been fired at 11 o'clock in the morning from the ramparts of that fortress. Badajoz had submitted to the king.

It will be seen by the following proclamation, that a popular movement had taken place in Barcelona on the 24th, against Rotten, the governor, which, in a measure, confirms the above. It is as follows:

"Habitants of Barcelona!—His excellency the general in chief has communicated to their excellencies the Constitutional Municipality the three following articles proposed by Marshal Monecy

"Art. 1. The militia, after having surrendered their arms, shall return to their homes, and, if they remain tranquil, they shall not be molested on account of their political conduct or of their former opinions.

"Art. 2. The troops of the line shall go into the cantonments which may be assigned to each corps, with their arms and their officers. The pay they now enjoy shall be continued to them.

"Art. 3. Every individual, who, from what ever motive, may wish to quit Spain, shall be conveyed either by sea or land, to the place he may designate; if agreed upon by the parties, he may carry with him all that belongs to him. (*Sus propiedades*), and the necessary means shall be adopted for his safety.

"Citizens.—Nothing has been concluded touching these articles. Have confidence in your authorities, and restore tranquility in this heroic city."

It was reported at Paris, that M. Villele had definitely obtained from his colleagues the dissolution of the French Chamber, but it was not known what he was to give in return. It appears that the liberty of Spain would not be entirely extinguished, and something would remain to the country of the revolution of 1820. Counsellors more wise than those who dictated the decrees of Santa Petri, Xeres and Seville, have caused Ferdinand to listen to the interests and opinions of the public, and the suggestions of true friends, and he has decided to give his subjects a constitution in the place of the one that existed before the entrance of the French troops.

The English coast was visited by tremendous gales and hurricanes on the 1st November. The accounts received at Lloyd's were dreadful. 140 vessels had been lost on the N. E. coast. The London Courier of the 31 November, says, "That our papers and advices, received this morning, from all parts of the United Kingdom, furnish a mass of calamitous details of the damage occasioned by the tempestuous weather which prevailed during Thursday and Friday last. To an extensive devastation of property is added a melancholy loss of human life. We have to-day only space briefly to notice the painful details. The inundation has made frightful ravages in the vicinity of Bath, Bristol, Aylesbury, Salisbury, and Oxford. At the Dolemeads, in the neighbourhood of the first mentioned city, the flood rose so suddenly that the inhabitants were awakened by the water reaching their beds, and many of them were rescued by boats from the windows of the second floor. The Bath Journal enumerates several persons who perished, and says, "of the loss of lives we can yet form no calculation; we trust it may not be so extensive as we have at present too much reason to expect. Any one who has any idea how numerously populated is that extensive piece of land, the Dolemeads, will conceive it an utter impossibility that during so dark a night, so many could have been rescued; and the numerous trees, hedges, walls, cottages, &c. covered with water, rendered the attempt extremely hazardous." The Cornwall Gazette states that many boats have been dashed to pieces and some lives lost. Many of the mails were stopped on their route by the flood; the road between Hindon and Winchester, near Salisbury, was rendered impassable by snow, which was so deep to render it necessary to dig out the coaches."

FROM THE ETTOILE.
NEWS FROM SPAIN,
(By an extraordinary courier)

Matara, Oct. 29

I hasten to inform you that the articles of capitulation of Barcelona were signed yesterday, and that the king's troops will take possession of this important fortress on the morning of Friday, the 31st instant.

A battalion of the 19th regiment of the line and a company of artillery, occupied Fort Pisu this morning.

Madrid, Oct. 30

On the 15th inst. Don Carlos d'Angny, assumed the military and political government of Cadiz, to which his majesty deigned to appoint him. He immediately addressed to the inhabitants of that great city, a proclamation, in which he recapitulates all the evils which have sprung from the revolution. "What was that liberty?" he therein enquires, "the name of which has incessantly resounded in our public places? It

was the liberty of oppressing, plundering, and cutting their neighbours throats. True liberty is about to be revised under the reign of the laws, and conformably to the paternal intentions of the king. He has sent me amongst you, not to exercise vengeance, but to console and protect all good citizens. With respect to the ill disposed (if there be any) let them tremble even in their midnight concaves, they shall not escape the sword of Justice."

The following order of the day was published in Cadiz, on the 10th instant, by the count de Bourmont:—

His royal highness the prince Generalissimo of the army of his most catholic majesty, has ordered that all the Spanish troops which were in Cadiz, and the Isle of Leon, shall receive pay and provisions from the chest and stores of the French army. The serjants, corporals, and privates, will be paid at the rate of five *gartos* per day, the same as the other Spanish troops. With respect to the officers, of all ranks and and arms, they are to receive their half pay on the war footing. To this effect, the Spanish commissaries of war will pass a general review, and draw up muster-rolls, which are to be delivered to the French military intendants, who will order the payments to be made.

The *Diario*, of Cadiz, of the 26th contains the edict of the governor of Cadiz, which re-establishes all the ancient police regulations upon the same footing as they existed previously to the 7th of March, 1820.

Nuremberg, Oct. 23

"During the negotiation between the court of Teheran and the Porte, the Ottoman troops, under the Pacha of Bagdad, suddenly attacked, and made themselves masters of the town of Mendon, in which there was a Persian garrison; such an event is calculated to rekindle the war between the two empires."

December 20

LATEST FROM ENGLAND.

By the ship London, capt Allyn, from London, the editor of the National Advocate has received London papers to the 11th Nov. The only important information they contain is that which relates to the designs of the Holy Alliance against South America. The latest accounts which had reached London from Paris confirmed the intelligence received a fortnight before, that the Bourbons had resolved on the reduction of the former Spanish and Portuguese colonies, and that several vessels with troops had actually been ordered on that service. As to the course which Great Britain would probably take in this business, nothing positive seems to have transpired. Bell's Weekly Messenger has the following observations on this subject.

"The main point of present importance as regards foreign politics, is the question of South America; and whether it sufficiently affects the immediate interest of England, so as to induce our government to act decisively. Upon this head, we have no doubt whatever, that it is the purpose of our ministry to remain at peace, unless the necessity for war shall be so urgent, as to make it imperative upon the prudence and honor of the country. We shall briefly state the measures which we believe will be pursued. The first of these will be that England will not admit the discussion of the question in the congress; that is to say, that her minister will withdraw him in the first instance, and will enter a solemn protest against any common measure. The grounds of this protest will be, that any aid to Spain for this purpose, will not be warranted by the law of nations, but will be equivalent to a confederacy for disturbing the state of possession of a third power; which power as to such confederates with Spain, is, factually, and in fact, independent. As regards Spain herself the question may remain unsettled, and therefore, open to her own prudence so long as any possible chance of recovering her provinces may exist, and so long as such a time has not passed over as to constitute a species of political prescription. As regards Spain, therefore, we do not dispute her right to attempt to recover her American colonies in part, or in whole. But as respects third powers, the independence of these states is so strongly established in fact, and has been so long acted upon, and the question now is, whether the commercial interests of England, and of Europe generally, can allow a confederacy to put down a power, which now exists in fact, and which notoriously possesses a sufficient degree of strength and establishment to exercise the functions of independence. Supposed that France should renew her claim to the island of Hayti, and construct a general confederacy of European powers to assist in repossessing her. As regard France itself, England would doubtless make no complaint. But would England be equally silent as against any confederate fleets employed in such an object? It will be urged that the question as to South America must proceed upon the same principle. The nearer and higher interests of Spain may justify any effort upon her part. But the confederates can have no such interest, and no such rights, as can prevail upon the common interest of the civilized world to remain at peace, and against the right of colonies (as against third parties) to defend and maintain that independent establishment, which they have, in fact, accomplished. If this remonstrance shall fail of effect, the question then occurs,—shall we go to war in aid of South America? To this we answer, that there is a kind of middle state between peace and war, to which, as we think, our government would instantly resort. We think, in a word, that a

strong naval expedition, defensive and precautionary in its name, should be immediately sent to South America, and that we should assist them in money to a very liberal extent. We think, moreover, that the powers of Europe, and France in particular, would scarcely venture their fleets in the face of such an armament on our part. We have no more to add at present upon this subject. On the one hand, we deprecate war, unless in a case of very strong necessity. On the other, we should be sorry to see the principle of legitimacy, in its present extent, asserted by the confederated sovereigns in the New World."

At Seville, the king of Spain clothed the duke with the distinction of the grand crosses of Charles III and Saint Ferdinand, without any limitation as to number.

There seems to have been some commotion in Barcelona, but by the latest date from Matara, (Nov. 1) it would seem that the troubles had been appeased, and it was supposed the French would enter the city immediately. During the troubles, Mina, it is said, found rebels among his old accomplices, and was obliged, himself, to take refuge in the midst of his troops to save himself from the militiamen. He had arrested the famous Costa, a chief of that band. Marshal Monecy has sent to Paris the conditions of the capitulation, which are approved and signed by the commissioners and generals in chief of both armies. All the constitutional chiefs in Extremadura have made their submission, with the exception of the Empeinado, who has not yet sent in his. The brigadier Laguna, took possession of the fortress of Badajoz on the 29th of October.

A paragraph dated Sorria, Nov. 2 states, that the convention for the occupation of the fortresses of Barcelona, Terragona and Hostalrich, concluded the day previously, was ratified that day, by M. the marshal duke de Conegliano (Monecy) and general Mina. The French troops will take possession on the 4th inst.

An article dated Cordova, Oct. 8, says D. Victor Saez is occupied by order of the king of Spain, with the important affairs of the colonies.

The interview of the two emperors (of Austria and Russia,) at Czernowitz, has made a great impression on the Divan.

December 25

A number of citizens wishing to manifest their sympathy and respect for the deputies of the late Spanish Cortes, who have reached this city, intimated to them a desire that they should accept of a public dinner; a compliment which, under existing circumstances they felt compelled to decline—not, however, without acknowledging their deep sense of the honor intended them, and the feelings which had prompted it.

Capt John Wooten, of the brig President, arrived at Philadelphia, from Havana, Nov. 8th, reports that just before he sailed, the ship J. R. Grey, of Philadelphia, arrived from Gibraltar, via the coast of Mexico. Capt. Grey, was, for several days, off Vera Cruz, endeavouring to enter that port, but was prevented by the continual firing between the city and castle. The latter had not surrendered, as reported by an arrival at Charleston from Havana.

Lord Cochrane, it is said, has been created marquis of Maranhon, by the emperor of Brazil.

From Sierra Leone—Accounts have been received from the U. S. consul at Antigua, that a vessel had arrived there in October last, the captain of which stated, that at the time of his departure, Sierra Leone, as well as the American colony, were in a most sickly state; so much so, that two thirds of the inhabitants of the former had died. Other accounts lately received from the coast of Africa, dated Sept. 1st, say, that the Ashantee negroes were approaching Cape Coast in great numbers, with the intention of making an attack on and plundering that colony. Sir C. McCarthy was to direct the operations against them, and capt. Long had collected a force of 7000, principally natives, to resist the Ashantees. Two British vessels of war were at Cape Coast, and its safety appeared certain. Two or three native kings have lately been deposed in Africa, and other persons placed on their thrones. The Capetown Gazette, of July 19 gives the following:—

"On the 8th inst. Mr. G. Thompson arrived in town from Old Lattakoo, in the short space of 14 days, bringing with him the following extraordinary intelligence. Mr. M. ff. states the approach of a numerous, powerful, and ferocious army, described to come from the south, having conquered and over run 28 tribes; they were repulsed by the Wanketts. They intended to attack Old Lattakoo and Grigo Land. They are composed of white, black, and hotten-tot color, have longish hair, and speak a strange language. Many wear European clothes, but most of them are nearly naked. Their weapons are an ancient sword, a short hand spear, and a cudgel without a head; they have their wives and children with them, and lastly, it is positively said they are cannibals."

Peru.—Accounts at Norfolk, via Jamaica, from Lima state that the royalist army amounted to 14,000; that Bolivar had arrived at Lima, and was occupied in sending off troops to reinforce the combined army, which consisted of nearly 14,000. They were about marching to attack the Spaniards, who were considered in rather a critical situation. The British merchants had despatched a fast sailing vessel from Lima for England, with an account of the state of affairs in the Pacific.